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PROVIDENT FUND ORGANISATION
JASWANT SINGH BISHNOI

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases registered against the officers/employees working in the Provident Fund Organisation by the CBI in Rajashtan alongwith the details of these officers/employees;

(b) the number of raids conducted by the CBI at their residence;

(c) the status of the registered cases thereof;

(d) the total amount involved in bungling and corruption in the said cases; and

(e) the stern action taken against the above convicted officers/employees?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL)

(a): In addition to a trap case by CBI involving one Assistant Provident Fund Commissioner and one Assistant Accounts Officer, the CBI has also registered eight F.I.Rs. implicating two Assistant Provident Fund Commissioners, two Enforcement Officers and one Upper Division Clerk in the Sub-Regional Employees` Provident Fund Office, Jodhpur, Rajasthan.

(b): The CBI has conducted raids at the residence of three officials of the Sub-Regional Office, Jodhpur.

(c) In the trap case, CBI sought prosecution sanction against one Assistant Accounts Officer which was given. In the case of Assistant Provident Fund Commissioner involved in the trap case, CBI recommended action as deemed appropriate by the Department.

In five out of the eight FIRs, CBI recommended departmental action against three officials. Necessary instructions have accordingly been issued to the concerned competent authority. The CBI`s report in the remaining three FIRs have not been received.

(d): The cases initiated by the CBI against three officials of the EPFO relate to procedural irregularities. As such, no case of bungling has been made out by the CBI.

(e): Necessary disciplinary action is already being taken against the employees allegedly involved in the procedural irregularities.